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SUBJ: RESULTS TALK WITH FONMIN CHIEF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS ON
UNGA/SS; PRODUCER CONSUMER DIALOGUE; AND SECRETARY
KISSINGER'S IEA AND OECD SPEECHES

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1. ABOVE TOPICS REPORTED TOGETHER BECAUSE OF INTER-
RELATIONSHIPS AND COMMON INTEREST TO MOST WASHINGTON
ACTION OFFICES. ALSO BECAUSE SUBJECTS COMBINED DURING
ECOUN PRESENTATION FONMIN CHIEF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS SEBTI
AND IN FOLLOW-ON DISCUSSION.

2. UNGA/SS. SEBTI SAID GOM INTERAGENCY GROUP ALREADY
PREPARING POSITIONS AND WOULD STUDY US VIEW CAREFULLY.
HE STRESSED THAT GOM WAS NOT RPT NOT AMONG THOSE WHO HAD
SUPPORTED ALGERIAN LEAD TO LAST SESSION, NOR WOULD IT BE
IN SEPTEMBER MEETING. MOROCCO HAD FAR MORE NUANCED
VIEW OF WORLD'S ECONOMIC NEEDS AND US COULD COUNT ON IT
TO AVOID CONTENTIOUS ISSUES OF "PRINCIPLE" WHILE SUPPORTING
MODERATE AND RESPONSIBLE POSITIONS OF SUBSTANCE. HE
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ANTICIPATED US AIDE-MEMOIRE WOULD ASSIST GOM IN

IDENTIFYING AREAS OF COMMON IMPORTANCE. HE PROMISED FURTHER CONVERSATION AS GOM VIEWS BEGIN TO TAKE FORM IN ORDER TO COORDINATE APPROACH OF USG AND GOM.

3. PRODUCER/CONSUMER DIALOGUE. SEBTI SAID THAT GOM HAD NEVER CONSIDERED EITHER LAST YEAR'S UNGA/SS OR APRIL ENERGY TALKS IN PARIS AS HAVING FAILED. RATHER, EACH WAS MERELY A STEP IN AN ONGOING DIALOGUE. HE EXPRESSED PARTICULAR GRATIFICATION AT SECRETARY KISSINGER'S "WELCOME INITIATIVE" IN CALLING FOR RECONVENING OF RAW MATERIALS/OIL DISCUSSIONS AND ASSURED ECOUN OF GOM SUPPORT FOR EARLY MEETING. SEBTI ADDED THOUGHT THAT SECRETARY KISSINGER IS BRILLIANT PRACTITIONER WHO HAS SHOWN WILLINGNESS TO LEARN ABOUT NEEDS OF OTHERS AND FLEXIBILITY TO ADJUST COURSE WHEN ADVICE HE HAS BEEN GIVEN PROVES MISGUIDED. CONTRASTED THIS BEHAVIOR WITH THOSE WHO FEEL THEY SO WELL-INFORMED ON COMPLEX ECONOMIC ISSUES THEY NEVER NEED TO CHANGE A POSITION. SEBTI PROMISED US WILL HAVE GOM SUPPORT IN RECONVENING DISCUSSIONS AND WILL FIND MOROCCO A RESPONSIBLE PARTICIPANT. HINTED, BUT DID NOT OPENLY SAY THAT MOROCCO MAY WISH TO PLACE PHOSPHATES ON AGENDA OF RAW MATERIALS FOR WHICH SUPPORT LEVELS SHOULD BE SOUGHT.

4. COPIES OF SECRETARY'S IEA AND OECD SPEECHES WERE PASSED SEBTI, AS INSTRUCTED, TO PROVIDE BACKGROUND AND DEPTH TO GOM STUDY OF TWO MAJOR INITIATIVES DISCUSSED ABOVE. BECAUSE OF LENGTH, DETAILED DISCUSSION NOT POSSIBLE, BUT SEBTI SAID HE HAD READ PRESS EXCERPTS AND WELCOMED FULL TEXT FOR STUDY WITHIN MINISTRY. MOROCCO ESPECIALLY INTERESTED IN SECRETARY'S IDEAS ON RELATING EXPANDED IBRD FINANCES AND PRIVATE SECTOR RESOURCES AND IMF MECHANISM TO STABILIZE WORLD PRICES.
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